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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

### BRITISH HONDURAS.

#### *Report from Belize, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Carson reports as follows: Week ended May 24, 1903. Present officially estimated population, 8,500; number of deaths, 3; prevailing disease, mild type of malarial fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 19	Spheroid .....	28	9	0	0
21	Traveller .....	35	7	0	0
21	Banan .....	18	0	0	0
22	Anselm .....	42	4	23	14

### CANADA.

#### *Inspection of immigrants at Quebec.*

Assistant Surgeon Billings reports, May 27 and June 1, as follows:

Week ended May 23, 1903. Number of immigrants inspected, 157; passed, 157; detained, 0.

Week ended May 30, 1903. Number of immigrants inspected, 458; passed, 453; detained, 5.

#### *Report of immigrants inspected at Quebec during the month of May, 1903.*

Number of immigrants inspected, 2,627; passed, 2,584; detained, 43.

### CHINA.

#### *Reports from Hongkong—Plague and smallpox—Summary of plague cases.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, April 23 and 30, as follows:

During the week ended April 18, 1903, 7 vessels were inspected, with an aggregate personnel of 652 crew and 467 passengers—189 cabin and 278 steerage; 525 crew and 276 steerage passengers were bathed, and 883 pieces of baggage disinfected. During the week there were 51 cases of plague and 47 deaths (2 Indians and 49 Chinese); 1 fatal case of smallpox (Chinese), and 1 case of enteric fever (European).

From January 1 to April 22 there have been 307 cases of plague reported—1 European, 6 Indians, and 300 Chinese.

During the week ended April 25, 1903, 15 vessels were inspected, with an aggregate personnel of 1,075 crew and 1,614 passengers—252 cabin and 1,362 steerage; 732 crew and 1,351 steerage were bathed and 2,295 pieces baggage disinfected. There were 6 rejections among the steerage. Weekly return of communicable diseases shows 79 cases and 72 deaths from plague and 1 fatal case of smallpox, all Chinese, making a total of 404 cases of plague to date this year.

*Report from Shanghai—Smallpox.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, May 6, as follows: During the week ended May 2, 1903, 3 vessels, 172 crew, 141 steerage, and 71 cabin passengers were inspected.

Communicable diseases were reported to the municipal health department as follows: Smallpox, 3 deaths; typhoid fever, 1 case; diphtheria, 1 death. The total mortality was 3 foreigners and 121 natives.

COLOMBIA.

*Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port—Smallpox—Vaccination.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended May 26, 1903. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; number of deaths from smallpox during the week, 5; number of deaths from other causes, 7; prevailing diseases, smallpox and malarial fevers; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, not good. The smallpox hospital has 35 cases, but is not large enough to accommodate half the cases. It is being enlarged, and systematic vaccination is performed. About 2,000 tubes have been used and the same quantity has been ordered. It will arrive about June 1, 1903.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 20	Fort Gaines.....	24	0	0	0
20	Taunton.....	25	0	0	0
21	Bodo.....	16	0	0	0
23	Mount Vernon.....	21	0	0	0

COSTA RICA.

*Report from Limon, fruit port—Yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports as follows: Week ended May 28, 1903. Census population, 4,000; number of cases of yellow fever, 3; deaths, 2; deaths from other causes, 2; prevailing disease, yellow fever; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very poor.